

**NON-PROVISIONAL  
UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION  
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the non-provisional utility patent application entitled:

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which is:

an ☒ Original; or

a ☐ Continuation, ☐ Divisional, or ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of prior Application No. filed.

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☐ This non-provisional patent application is based on Provisional Patent Application No. ,  
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Enclosed are:

☒ Specification (including Abstract) and claims: 16 pages.

☒ 8 sheets of drawings (formal).

☐ Application Data Sheet.

☒ Newly executed Declaration (copy).

☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application.

☐ Separate Power of Attorney (including 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, if applicable).

☐ Microfiche computer program (Appendix).

☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission, including:

☐ Computer readable copy ☐ Paper Copy ☐ Verified Statement.

☐ Under PTO-1595 Cover Sheet, an assignment of the invention

☐ Name of Assignee:

☐ Certified copy(ies) of Application No(s). filed is/are filed:

☐ herewith or ☐ in prior application .

- ☒ Applicant(s), by their undersigned attorney, claims Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 as ☒ an Independent Inventor and ☒ a Small Business Concern, or ☐ a Non-Profit Organization.
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08A, and cited references.
- ☐ Request for Nonpublication of Application Under 35 U.S.C. §122(b)
- ☐ Other:

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